

Nancy joined the U.S. Army after graduation and was assigned to Fitzsimons Army Medical Center in Aurora, CO. She retired as a Lieutenant Colonel in 1996 from the United States Army Reserve. In 1979, Nancy received her master's degree in school nursing and her Pediatric Nurse Practitioner Certificate from the University of Colorado.

Nancy returned to Delaware in 1983. Three years later, she became the school nurse for the Baltz Elementary School and remained there until 1995, when she went to Forest Oak Elementary School. At Forest Oak, she is known as a nonassuming person, who has a "quiet way about doing what she does best—being a school nurse." She is kind to the children and always looking out for their best interests.

In 2002, Nancy started a fitness program at Forest Oaks Elementary. Having been inspired by a talk on obesity at the National School Nurses Convention, she submitted a grant application, and was awarded \$3,300 from the State of Delaware to implement her program. The program promotes increased physical activity and healthy nutrition in first to fourth graders. Nancy hopes to expand the program to also include students in kindergarten and fifth grade and to teachers and staff.

Nancy has also helped coordinate a bike safety program and helmet program, taught open airways classes to empower students with asthma in self care, collaborated with the school guidance counselor and psychologist to meet the emotional and educational needs of students and presented staff education programs in diabetes, asthma and Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder.

Nancy is a member of Sigma Theta Tau, the international nursing honor society, the National Association of School Nurses, the Delaware School Nurses Association, DSN, and was a member of the DSN Continuing Education Committee from 1990-1995. Nancy also serves on the Red Clay Nurse Liaison Committee, is the computer representative for the Red Clay School nurses, and is a member of the revision committee for the school nurse technical assistance manual.

Nancy is married to Joe Nadel, a psychologist and teacher at Wesley College. She has four children, Katie, Carolyn, Dan, and Susan, and three stepchildren, Joe, Ian and Mike. In her spare time, she volunteers at Mary Mother of Hope House II by sponsoring food, linen and gift drives at their shelter.

Nancy is an amazing human being. She has been and remains deeply committed to her family, her students, and her community. She has helped shape the lives of thousands in the halls of the institutions she served, and in the hearts of those who have been lucky enough to call her their friend. I rise today to honor and to thank Nancy for her selfless dedication to the betterment of others. She is a remarkable

woman and a testament to the community she represents.●

NEW JERSEY ALLIANCE FOR ACTION

● Mr. CORZINE. Mr. President, I rise to recognize the 30th anniversary of the New Jersey Alliance for Action, an organization that has worked tirelessly to improve the quality of life for all New Jerseyans.

The New Jersey Alliance for Action is a nonprofit, nonpartisan consortium of business, labor, government and academic leaders dedicated to creating jobs, improving the economy and protecting the environment. These goals are achieved by modernizing our State's infrastructure to meet the needs of a growing New Jersey. Since its creation in 1974, the New Jersey Alliance for Action has worked to obtain funding and secure permits for road, rail, and aviation improvements, water projects, school construction, shore preservation, business expansion and other key infrastructure initiatives. Today, it boasts more than 600 dedicated members and has developed a solid track record of working closely with state and local governments.

The Board of Trustees of the New Jersey Alliance for Action is composed of some of New Jersey's most prominent business, labor, professional and educational leaders. Through creative partnerships between the public and private sectors, the foundation addresses many of the pressing issues that affect the great State of New Jersey.

While this organization is exemplary, two men must be singled out for their vision and hard work: Richard M. Hale and Ellis S. Vieser. They were responsible for creating an organization that crossed the boundaries, establishing an environment where the interests of New Jersey's citizens are top priority. We owe a deep debt of gratitude for their lifetime of dedication and remarkable leadership. They embodied a can-do attitude together with a sense of community. It is not difficult to see how the alliance has made such giant strides in such a relatively short period of time.

I thank the members of the New Jersey Alliance for Action for continuing the work of Richard M. Hale and Ellis S. Vieser. It is their commitment to the work of the alliance's founders that allows New Jersey to shine so brightly. Congratulations on this very special milestone.●

VETERANS' HISTORY PROJECT

● Mr. JOHNSON. Mr. President, I rise today to publicly recognize the progress of the Veterans' History Project and to honor Greg Latza, author of *Blue Stars: A Selection of Stories from South Dakota's World War II Veterans*.

Blue Stars honors and immortalizes the incredible stories of forty-four South Dakota World War II veterans.

Greg's inspiration for writing this book came in 1994, when as a photographer for a newspaper, he covered a powerful interview of a Sioux Falls World War II veteran.

As World War II veterans grow older, it is important to collect their stories, as Greg did, before they are lost. There are 19 million war veterans living in the United States, and every day we lose 1,600 of them. We will be able to honor their services for generations to come by collecting their memories for the Veterans' History Project and preserving them at the Library of Congress.

The Veterans' History Project, which Congress unanimously approved on October 27, 2000, honors our Nation's war veterans and those who served in support of them, by creating a legacy of recorded interviews and other documents chronicling veterans' wartime experiences. The project encompasses veterans of World War I, World War II, Korea, Vietnam, Operation Desert Storm, Operation Enduring Freedom, and Operation Iraqi Freedom.

All recordings of personal histories and all documents submitted to the Veterans' History Project will be archived in the National History Collection at the Library of Congress' American Folklife Center. These important artifacts will create a comprehensive, searchable catalog of veterans' stories, thus allowing current and future generations to access them.

I congratulate Greg Latza on his efforts. Blue Stars pays a great tribute to South Dakota's contributions to World War II. Like the Veterans' History Project, it serves as an excellent example of the importance of honoring and remembering America's veterans.●

HONORING GUNNERY SERGEANT CLESTER LENOIR

● Mr. BREAUX. Mr. President, I honor not only a fellow Louisianian, but also an extraordinary Marine, Clester Lenoir. Clester Lenoir is retiring after serving more than 20 years of service in the United States Marine Corps. He was raised in Baton Rouge, LA, where he graduated from Tara High School, Baton Rouge in 1984.

Gunnery Sergeant's first duty station was in his home state of Louisiana where he served with the Fourth Marine Division in New Orleans. He was assigned as the Status of Resources and Training System Noncommissioned Officer, a staff sergeant's billet. He was tasked to assist and inspect various reserve units around the Nation. He excelled at this assignment and was awarded a Navy/Marine Corps Achievement medal for his meritorious service.

Lenoir has served as an Administrative Assistant in the Marine Corps' Office of Legislative Affairs during his last 3 years of service. That office supports Members of Congress, and their committees on matters relating to the Marine Corps and the security of our Nation.